Emergency & Disaster Management

Program Overview and Opportunities

This program is designed to fill a critical and growing need for emergency and disaster management personnel in the public and private sector. This program will prepare the student for positions in the disaster management profession or to transfer to a 4-year college or university. The student obtaining this degree is prepared for employment in government agencies, private corporations, industry, educational and health care institutions. Students with prior training or certifications in similar fields may receive college credits toward their degree. Students must complete a minimum of 69 credits to earn an Associate of Applied Science Degree in Emergency & Disaster Management. The degree program can build upon the existing skills of first responders and those individuals, who complete college certificated training, military training, and/or are certified, as Law enforcement officers, emergency medical technicians, paramedics, firefighters, safety professionals, or hazardous material technicians.

Emergency & Disaster Management

Associate of Applied Science Degree

Course #	Title	Credits
First Semester (Fall)		
EDM 110	Principles of Emergency Management	3
EDM 111	Developing Emergency Management Skills	3
EDM 112	Emergency Planning	3
SPC 112	Public Speaking	3
CSC 110	Intro to Computers	3
ENG 105	Composition I	3
	Semester I Total	**18**
Second Semester (Spring)		
EDM 120	Special Populations in a Disaster	3
EDM 121	Emergency/Disaster Response & Recovery	3
EDM 122	Incident Mgmt. Systems & Emergency Operations Centers	3
CRJ 206	Terrorism Response	3
EDM 212	Practicum I	3
EDM 123	Exercise Planning	3
	Semester II Total	**18**
Third Semester (Fall)		
EDM 210	Communications & Public Relations for Emergency Management	3
EDM 211	Hazard Mitigation	3
PSY 111	Intro to Psychology	3
EDM 222	Practicum II	3
POL 112	American State & Local Government	3
	Semester III Total	**15**
Fourth Semester (Spring)		
EDM 220	Hazardous Materials Planning & Mgmt.	3
EDM 221	Homeland Security & Emergency Management	3
MGT 101	Fundamentals of Management	3
OFF 166	Office Procedures I	3
MAT 772	Applied Math (3) **OR**	
MAT 121	College Algebra (4)	3 or 4
EMS 110	EMS First Responder	2
EDM 223	Practicum III	1
	Semester IV Total	**18**
	Program Total	**69 or 70**

Program Advisors

Denise Brink, Instructor	Ext. 1673	Room A100
Steve Ebsen, Dept. Chair	Ext. 1232	Room A104

Career Prospects:
Emergency & Disaster Managers

What do they do? Coordinate emergency workers and volunteers

Specializations: Directors of homeland security, emergency operations center chiefs, emergency preparedness instructors, and many more

Getting Ahead: Advancement by acquiring more experience in their field

Skills: Organization, communication, leadership, decision-making, working under pressure, problem solving, and teamwork

Where they work: Local, state and federal agencies; non-profit organizations; hospitals and in private industry

In the wake of the World Trade Center attack and following the Hurricane Katrina disaster in New Orleans, Emergency & Disaster Management careers have grown in importance and are now in high demand in communities of all sizes. Even when there is no imminent threat of danger, communities should have emergency response and recovery plans which includes conducting drills to test for emergency preparedness. Consequently, Western Iowa Tech Community College is offering a specialized degree in this field.

For more information, contact Denise Brink 712-274-8733x1673 or email EDM@witcc.edu

Contact WITCC

For more information about Western Iowa Tech Community College and any of our programs contact:

Admissions Office
Western Iowa Tech Community College
4647 Stone Avenue, P. O. Box 5199
Sioux City, Iowa 51102-5199

Phone: 712/274-6403 or
                  800/352-4649
Fax: 712/274-6412
E-mail: info@witcc.edu
Website: www.witcc.edu

How to Apply

Request an application from the Admissions Office. Complete the form and return it with the $20 application fee. An online application is also available on the college's website at www.witcc.edu.
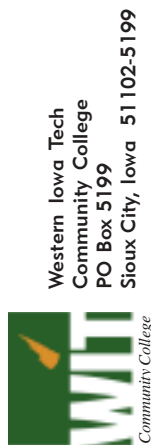
Plan a Campus Visit

Visit our Sioux City, Cherokee, or Denison campuses to talk with an admissions representative and/or program area faculty. Tours of our facilities (and student housing at WITCC's main campus in Sioux City) are also available upon request.

Tuition Costs

Western Iowa Tech is committed to providing a quality education at an affordable cost. Tuition and fees are reviewed and set annually by the WITCC Board of Directors. Tuition must be paid or payment arrangements should be made prior to the start of classes each semester.

Students needing financial assistance are encouraged to apply for financial aid. The financial aid office can be reached by calling (712) 274-6402.

Dev. 2/06/jb/pr

**Western Iowa Tech
Community College
PO Box 5199
Sioux City, Iowa 51102-5199**

Community College

Emergency &
Disaster
Management

WIT
Community College

*The Path
to Success*